

House Resolution No. 3303

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State organizations that are dedicated to improving quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity can trace its roots to February 13, 1996, when thirteen people attended a meeting for persons interested in serving on a steering committee to organize a local chapter of the international organization; and

Whereas, officers of the steering committee were elected and a bank account was established, and the following April a letter was sent to Habitat International to apply for permission to use the chosen name and to ask for further instructions; and

Whereas, in April 1997 Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity became an official affiliate of Habitat International as a tax-exempt, nonprofit organization dedicated to giving people a "hand up, not a hand out" by building homes for partner families who purchase them through the contribution of labor and through the repayment of interest-free mortgages; and

Whereas, Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity has constructed eight homes, is ready to break ground on its ninth home, and is holding a Grand Opening celebration for its new resale store on May 29, 2008; and

Whereas, Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity depends upon a 100 percent volunteer-based membership to fulfill leadership, fund-raising, and construction duties; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse daily activities in order to recognize momentous occasions in the histories of such outstanding Missouri organizations as Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations as they conclude their Tenth Anniversary celebration; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Lake of the Ozarks Habitat for Humanity.

Offered by _____
Representative Wayne Cooper, M.D.
District No. 155

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session,
do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 3303, adopted May 28, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker